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Political Organization Notice of Section 527 Status

OMB No. 1545-1693

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Part I General Information Employer identification number Name of organization 57 6069350 Electric Cooperative Help Organization (ECHO) 2 Mailing address (P.O. Box or number, street, and room or suite number) 808 Knox Abbott Dr. City or town, state, and ZIP code Cayce, SC 29033 E-mall address of organization jan.gerhart@ecsc.org 4b Custodian's address 4a Name of custodian of records 808 Knox Abbott Dr. Janet E. Gerhart Cayce, SC 29033 5a Name of contact person 5b Contact person's address 808 Knox Abbott Dr. Janet E. Gerhart Cayce, SC 29033 6 Business address of organization (if different from mailing address shown above). Number, street, and room or suite number City or town, state, and ZIP code Part II Purpose Describe the purpose of the organization To promote the Interests of rural electrification within the state of South Carolina by means of support for friends of rural electrification. ECHO is non-partisan and composed of individuals who have voluntarily joined together for the above-mentioned purpose. Part III List of All Related Entities (see instructions) 8a Name of related entity 8b Relationship 8c Address None

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that the organization named in Part I is to be treated as an organization described in section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code, and that I have examined this notice, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

Sign Here Signature of authorized official

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9a Name	9b Title	9c Address
William L. Fleming	Chair, Executive Committee	Marlboro Electric Cooperative PO Box 1057 Bennettsville SC 29512
P. Edwin DeLoach	Vice Chair, Executive Committee	Route 2, Box 89 Pineland, SC 29934-9713
Janet E. Gerhart	Secretary/Treasurer, Executive Co	mmittee The Electric Cooperatives of SC 808 Knox Abbott Dr. Cayce, SC 29033
Ben P. Harrelson	Executive Committee Member	633 W. Harrelson Rd. Loris, SC 29569
Charles L. Compton	Executive Committee Member	Saluda River Electric Cooperative PO Box 929 Laurens, SC 29360
Charles A. Staley	Executive Committee Member	Berkeley Electric Cooperative PO Box 1234 Moncks Corner, SC 29461-1234
Joyce T. Baker	Executive Committee Member	York Electric Cooperative PO Box 150 York, SC 29745
Gary L. Stooksbury	Director	Aiken Electric Cooperative PO Box 417 Aiken, SC 29802-0417
E.E. Strickland, Jr.	Director	Berkeley Electric Cooperative PO Box 1234 Moncks Corner, SC 29461-1234
Thomas M. Jackson	Director	Route 1, Box 365 Manning, SC 29102
Charles E. Dalton	Director	Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative PO Box 277 Pickens, SC 29671
J. Richard Baines	Director	Broad River Electric Cooperative PO Box 2269 Gaffney, SC 29342
C. Pinckney Roberts	Director	Central Electric Power Cooperative PO Box 1455 Columbia, SC 29202
A.L. Smoak	Director	1596 Sunrise Rd. Smoaks, SC 29481



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9a Name	9b Title	9c Address
Jerry E. McFelea	Director	CEE-US PO Box 3269 West Columbia, SC 29171-3269
David E. Felkel	Director	Edisto Electric Cooperative PO Box 547 Bamberg, SC 29003
William L. Hart	Director	Fairfield Electric Cooperative PO Box 150 Winnsboro, SC 29180
Ralph Hendrix	Director	204 Hendrix Dr. Greenville, SC 29607
Michael A. Johnson	Director	PO Box 217 Calhoun Falls, SC 29628
Johnny A. West	Director	5192 Lockhart Rd. Kershaw, SC 29067
Jan Bonnette	Director	Mid-Carolina Electric Cooperative PO Box 699 Lexington, SC 29071
Daniel P. Murphy	Director	Newberry Electric Cooperative PO Box 477 Newberry, SC 29108
G. Thomas Upshaw	Director	Palmetto Electric Cooperative PO Box 820 Ridgeland, SC 29936-0802
Ralph U. Thomas	Director	Palmetto Economic Development Corp. 1201 Main St., Suite 1710 Columbia, SC 29201-3212
Robert W. Williams, Jr.	Director	Pee Dee Electric Cooperative, Inc. PO Box 491 Darlington, SC 29540
Omega L. Daniel	Director	1787 Baldwin Rd. Scranton, SC 29591-9735
Robert G. Wannamaker	Director	Tri-County Electric Cooperative PO Box 217 St. Matthews, SC 29135-0217
Charles R. Burrell	Director	1015 St. Paul Church Rd. Clover, SC 29710